

MINUTES of the meeting of the GRASSMOOR, HASLAND AND WINSICK PARISH COUNCIL held on 14 November 2018 at the Grassmoor Community Centre.

PRESENT

Councillor Mrs P J Hemsley (in the Chair)

Councillors I F Barlow, A H Booker, A Browne, E Grant, B Garbutt, L Hartshorne and R W Marriott.

County Councillor N Barker also attended the meeting.

Four members of the public were in attendance.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Members of the public handed in a petition which noted that the Parish Council did not commit to providing a grit bin for Hagg Hill. The petition was received and as had been explained at the October meeting, the request would be considered at the December Parish Council meeting when the Council set its budget for the next financial year.

It was reported that there was still a litter problem on Kestrel Drive and Skipper Drive. The Clerk reported that the Council's Streetcleaner had given the area some attention and he would ask him to do so again.

A member of the public asked that the Parish Council would give consideration to providing a seat in the bus shelter on North Wingfield Road, near the junction with Mill Lane. The Clerk would look in to the costs of this and the matter would be considered at the budget meeting in December.

POLICE/PARISH LIAISON

It was reported that motorbikes using the Country Park continued to be a problem and posed a risk to public safety given the speeds they were travelling. Councillor Hartshorne had video evidence of the problem, but the Police did not seem interested in the footage. The Clerk agreed to contact PC Gough in respect of this matter.

COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS

Councillor Barker reported that he had contacted County Council officers to request that double yellow lines be introduced on Wingerworth Street, Gill Lane junction, Norfolk Avenue and New Street. The County Council had investigated the problem of potholes on Cotswold Drive and Danbury Close, but had concluded that there were not actionable defects. The gullies on Birkin Lane were being looked at, although all gullies were generally cleared on a rota basis.

DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS

Councillor R W Marriott advised the Parish Council that he had reported the issue of the damaged verges on Broom Drive to the District Council. The District Council had indicated that they were aware of the damage that had been caused during the course of the improvement works to local housing. Once these works were completed, the verges would be repaired.

(Councillors A H Booker and Mrs A Browne left the meeting at this point)

3025. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors M Grayling, Mrs E A Hill and Mrs I Thomas.

3026. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS

Councillor I F Barlow, E Grant and Mrs P J Hemsley declared a personal interest in the item relating to Grassmoor Community Centre as a member of the Community Centre Management Committee (Minute no. 3031 refers). Councillor R W Marriott declared a pecuniary interest in the same item as an employee of the Community Centre.

3027. MINUTES RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 10 October 2018 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

3028. ITEMS IN EXCLUSION

There were no matters taken in the exempt part of the agenda.

3029. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The Responsible Financial Officer presented for information, details of receipts and payments to 13 November 2018 which showed an overall balance of £133,973.69 and also the bank reconciliation to the same date. Councillor B Garbutt signed copies of both documents.

Accounts due for payment and details of income received were presented and it was agreed that payments be authorised as detailed below:

Date	Payee	Details	Method	TOTAL	VAT
01.11.18	R Ackrill	Wages	BACS		£0.00
01.11.18	J S Marriott	Wages	BACS		£0.00
01.11.18	A Ward	Wages	BACS		£0.00
14.11.18	HMRC	PAYE	BACS	£616.88	£0.00
14.11.18	GCC	Grant & Room Hire	BACS	£2,032.50	£0.00
14.11.18	Yorks Water	Pavilion	BACS	£31.88	£0.00
14.11.18	EON	Park Lighting	BACS	£90.58	£4.31
14.11.18	NEDDC	Bench Licence	BACS	£1.00	£0.00
14.11.18	R Ackrill	Flowers	BACS	£25.00	£0.00
14.11.18	P Hemsley	Remembrance Sunday	BACS	£52.55	£0.00

14.11.18	A Ward	Refuse Sacks	BACS	£9.95	£1.65
14.11.18	J S Marriott	Remembrance Sunday	BACS	£40.00	£0.00
14.11.18	Buster Marquees	Remembrance Sunday	BACS	£441.00	£73.50
14.11.18	Bugler	Remembrance Sunday	BACS	£40.00	£0.00
14.11.18	DUWC	Donation	BACS	£500.00	£0.00
15.11.18	Water Plus	Pavilion	DD	£5.34	£0.00
25.11.18	Eon	Pavilion	DD	£55.00	£2.62
14.11.18	G Birch Assoc	Consultancy	BACS	£2,600.00	£0.00
14.11.18	NEDDC	Dog Bins	BACS	£819.00	£136.50

A bank transfer from the reserve account to the current account of £10k was agreed.

RESOLVED to (a) note the report;

- (b) authorise Councillor B Garbutt to sign the bank reconciliation and the summary of receipts and payments to 13 November 2018;
- (c) approve the payment of accounts as detailed above; and
- (d) approve the transfer of £10k from the reserve account to the current account.

3030. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

It was reported that Councillor Betty Hill had thanked the Parish Council for the bouquet of flowers.

It was also reported that an anonymous letter had been received complaining about parking on verges on Devon Close. The matter had been passed to the District Council.

3031. GRASSMOOR COMMUNITY CENTRE

It was reported that the new cooker had been installed and was working well apart from some issues with the ignition which were being investigated.

The hand rails at the front of the Centre had been fully repainted. The cycle stand had been removed to allow more room for mobility scooters. An alternative location for a bike stand was being looked at.

The Management Committee had agreed to purchase a new audio system for the Centre utilising the County Council's Community Leadership funding. The possibility of installing a drop-down screen and projector in the Committee Room was also being investigated.

The Centre Manager had booked Service 2 to service the Community Centre boilers. The Centre's gas and electricity tariffs were also being reviewed.

The guttering to the rear of the Centre was in need of repair and it was noted that this would be paid for by the Parish Council.

It was noted that Andrew Parker was giving up his cleaning hours. The position would be filled as soon as possible.

A Christmas Panto had been booked for 23 December with the help of funding from Big Local. There had been a recent increase in bookings for children's parties at the Centre.

RESOLVED to note the report.

3032. BARNES PARK

The Clerk reported that the tree trunk had not yet been moved from near the Pavilion. He had contacted Philip Heath to request that it be moved as soon as possible.

The residents who had complained about the cricket balls damaging their property and causing a danger had been written to as agreed. As yet, no response had been received. The Clerk had contacted the Parish Council's insurers regarding the problem. They had suggested that the Parish Council have survey undertaken by their health and safety advisors. The Clerk would ascertain the cost of this survey.

The Clerk reported that there was a small missing grate near the war memorial. The Clerk had reported the problem to the District Council.

The Clerk agreed to check the current position with regard to the flooding issues in the Park with the County Council.

RESOLVED to (a) note the report;
(b) report the missing grate to the District Council; and
(c) check the current position with regard to the flooding issues in the Park with the County Council.

3033. CCTV

The Clerk reported that he had received a quote of £2,107.00 from NW Systems for the installation of two static cameras at the Boot and Shoe. It was agreed that the Clerk place an order for the two cameras and seek permission to install them.

RESOLVED to place an order with NW Systems for the provision of two cameras at the Boot and Shoe in the sum of £2,107.00.

3034. MILL LANE ALLOTMENTS

The Allotment Association had reported that they currently only had one vacant plot. The Association had been successful in its bid to the Big Local Vote Fund for a rotavator attachment for the tractor.

Lights have been installed in the Gardeners Rest so it could now be used in winter evenings. Funding was being raised to purchase additional solar panels and batteries.

The Association had held a meeting with Steven Fidler, Head of Grassmoor Primary School, to discuss ways to make better use of the school plot next year. In the meantime, some members would keep the plot and polytunnels in good order.

The new Garbutt Cup and the plaques had been engraved with winners' names and the Association would be grateful if the Parish Council would present them at the Allotments AGM on 26 January 2019.

RESOLVED to note the report.

3035. GILL LANE ALLOTMENTS

There were no matters relating to Gill Lane Allotments to report.

RESOLVED to note the report.

3036. GRASSMOOR LAGOONS

The Clerk reported that Peter Myers would attend the December Parish Council meeting to discuss the activities and plans of the Friends of Grassmoor Country Park Group.

With regard to the acidification problem, the County Council had removed the top soil and lined the area, resurfaced and replanted it. Unfortunately, the replanted area had not grown back well, mainly due to the hot weather over the summer. The contaminated water was coming from an underground source. It was being diverted around the ponds in order to be treated. The Friends of the Country Park Group were looking to take tours around the area at some point in the future.

RESOLVED to note the report.

3037. BIG LOCAL

There were no matters relating to Big Local to report.

RESOLVED to note the report.

3038. BARNES PARK PROJECT

The Clerk reported that Geoff Birch had met with the Cricket and Football Clubs to help with finalising their sports development plans which were both important for the funding bids to the Football Foundation and Sport England.

Geoff Birch had circulated a draft business case which would be discussed and agreed at a meeting of the Working Group on 15 November.

The funding application to the Derbyshire Environmental Trust in the sum of £19,433 had been submitted and a decision was expected in the New Year. A stage two application to Viridor of around £100k would be submitted in January. A potential grant

of around £152k was available from the Football Foundation. An application to Sport England would be submitted before Christmas. The Clerk was currently seeking confirmation regarding availability of section 106 funding.

The Clerk and Geoff Birch had held a further meeting with the County Council's Architects with a view to getting an updated cost assessment of the revised preferred option for the design of the Pavilion. As a result, it had been agreed that the County Council's quantity surveyors were not best placed to provide a commercial cost assessment for projects of this nature and it was agreed that the Parish Council be recommended to use the services of an external company. This would not add to the costs of the project. The Parish Council agreed to this course of action.

There was a potential issue with regards to VAT and the Parish Council's ability to claim it back from the project costs. This was a very complex area and specialist advice was being sought to avoid any potential problems as the project progressed.

An ecological survey would be required as part of the planning permission and the Clerk requested permission to obtain quotes for this work and have the survey undertaken. The Parish Council acceded to this request.

RESOLVED to (a) note the report;
(b) engage the services of an external quantity surveyor;
(c) agree to seek specialist advice on VAT; and
(d) agree to seek prices for the undertaking of an ecological survey.

3039. REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

The Clerk reported that the Service had gone well and had been well attended. The collection had raised a total of £121.88.

It was reported that the family of Wilfred Alton had requested that reference to him being awarded the Military Medal be added to the inscription on the War Memorial in Barnes Park. Whilst the Parish Council had no objection in principle to this, the Clerk was asked to investigate the potential costs and also whether any others named also had medals which would need to be added.

The Clerk was asked to investigate the potential costs and funding sources to have the Memorials cleaned.

RESOLVED to (a) note the report;
(b) investigate the potential costs of adding details of military honours to the War Memorials and Barnes Park and Winsick Park; and
(c) look at potential costs and funding sources to have the Memorials cleaned.

3040. REQUEST FOR GRIT BIN – SHAKESPEARE STREET

The Clerk reported that a request for a grit bin on Shakespeare Street had been received from local residents. It was agreed that the request be considered when the Parish Council set its budget.

RESOLVED to note the report.

3041. BUDGET 2019-20

The Clerk reminded the Parish Council that the budget for 2019-20 would be set at the next meeting.

RESOLVED to note the report.

3042. PLANNING MATTERS

Application No.	Description	Comments/objections/material considerations
18/01045/FL The Croft, Mansfield Rd, Winsick Mrs L Booth	Application to vary conditions regarding opening hours	The Parish Council had concerns over this application in respect of parking of vehicles on the busy road outside of the premises and also the opening hours of the business and the potential impact on nearby residences.
18/00941/AMEND 2-6 Westhill Lane SYHA	Reduction to window size to plot 4.	This application had been conditionally approved.
17/00645/OL The Coal Yard East Midlands Strategic Land Limited	Outline application for B1, B2 and B8 Storage	The Parish Council had no objections to this application.
18/01084/FL 2-6 Westhill Lane SYHA	Application to vary condition 2	The Parish Council had no objections to this application.
18/0180/FLH 133 North Wingfield Rd Mr D James	Two storey rear extension	The Parish Council had no objections to this application.

RESOLVED to note the report.

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Chairman